Washington, D.C. – Today, Chairman of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC) Congressman Charlie Gonzalez (TX-20) voted to re-authorize the U.S. Export-Import Bank to continue providing American manufacturers with the necessary resources to be competitive in the global market. The bill passed the House of Representatives with overwhelming bipartisan support by a vote of 330-93. Congressman Gonzalez issued the following statement on the Export-Import Bank reauthorization:

"Over the past 5 years, the Export-Import Bank has brought business to and created jobs in Texas and across the country, benefitted more than 1,080 Texas businesses, and did so while reducing the deficit. The financing provided by this program is vital for manufacturing sectors in places like San Antonio, and it ensures American businesses will remain competitive in the global economy while creating jobs here at home.

"While our economy has benefitted from 26 consecutive months of job creation, our country still has a lot of work to be done and failure to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank would have been damaging to America's economic recovery. Today's vote was also a testament to the ability for both parties to put aside partisan differences and work together to create jobs and bolster the economy."

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